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Hinkley Road Bridge to Reopen

Hinkley Bridge at the Mojave River in the Barstow area is reopening now that the repairs from the December 2010 storm are complete. The bridge will officially reopen to the public on Friday, November 15, 2013. Supervisor Robert Lovingood said "I know the reopening of this bridge will be a major relief for the local residents, who no longer have to drive 20 miles out of their way."

Hinkley Road Bridge was originally washed out during a period of storms and heavy flooding in December 2010. The bridge sustained damage during those storms. Subsequently the road was closed until the bridge could be repaired.

The project included removal of the damaged pile, retaining wall and unsound concrete and construction of a pile/pier and a wingwall, and erection of a steel structure to connect the new pier to the bridge superstructure. The final stages included paving, marking & striping. The total cost of the project was \$297,000 which was comprised of funds from the Measure I Local Stimulus.

The contractor, Trinity Construction Company of Blue Jay, was able to complete the work ahead of the December projected completion date. This early opening will allow the residents in the area have an alternate route through the Barstow area.

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